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-- F. Whitten Peters, secretary of the Air Force

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Airman 1st Class Stephen Denny, 547th Intelligence Squadron, gives retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Thomas Barnes a tour of the Threat Training Facility Jan. 12. Chief Barnes visited Nellis to speak at the Nellis Chiefs Indoctrination Ceremony. (Photo by Senior Airman Chris Flahive)



**By Tech. Sgt. Richard Covington
AWFC Public Affairs**

"You're a direct by-product of freedom - you have a choice where some people don't have choices." These are the words of the former Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Thomas N. Barnes, spoken to a room full of Nellis airmen Jan. 12.

The retired chief spoke to Nellis airmen at an enlisted call held at the 547th Intelligence Squadron Threat Training Facility at the invitation of the Nellis African-American Cultural Association. He was at Nellis to speak at the Nellis Chiefs Indoctrination Ceremony. Chief Barnes was last at Nellis in 1997 for the Air Force's 50th Anniversary Golden Air Tattoo.

"In my day we had the draft," Chief Barnes said when talking about choices. "The Navy or the Air Force was a choice. So the Air Force had no recruiting problems."

Chief Barnes joined the Air Force in 1949. His assignments included Chanute Technical Training Center, Ill.; McChord Air Force Base, Wash.; Tachikawa, Japan; Westover Air Force Base, Mass.; Kelly Air Force Base, Texas; Andrews Air Force Base, Md.; Loring Air Force Base, Maine;

Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.; George Air Force Base, Calif.; Southeast Asia; Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas; Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; and finally, the Pentagon, as the fourth chief master sergeant of the Air Force, 1973 to 1977.

"During my time the Air Force enlisted strength was 500,000," he said. "Today the entire Air Force (officer and enlisted) is only 350,000." The chief contributes this decrease in manpower to an increase in technology; the study and reviews which, consequently, led to the privatization or outsourcing; and a national strategy change. "You in this room have directly felt the results of downsizing, privatization and outsourcing, and the increased operations tempo," he said.

According to the chief, the Air Force has always had a retention problem. Contractors and private industry have always lured people out of the Air Force with better paying jobs. As a result, several times in his career, the chief said that the Air Force has forced airmen to stay in longer with mandatory extensions of enlistments or banned military from working for a contractor for a year after leaving.

In some respects, the chief says

some issues have come full circle. "In the 1950s and 1960s we had high operations tempo," he said. "The Cuban missile crisis in early 1960 created an operations tempo similar to today's."

The chief feels that many changes have benefited the Air Force. For example, basic training was segregated when the chief first entered the Air Force. Women in the Air Force were not accepted into the core of the service. Today, however, blacks, other minorities and women are more accepted. "It was a battle, as some of the leadership was resistant to this change," he said.

One change that concerns him and should concern the public is Congress. "Fewer and fewer senators and congressmen have ever served in the military," he said. "This will pose a problem for you in the future."

However, the chief feels current pay and climate in the military is a lot better. "The light at the end of the tunnel can be seen," he said, "and it's a bright light."

Today the chief is a rancher in Bonham, Texas. He raises livestock for the sports industry and rodeos. He also competes in team competitions, such as roping.



Chief Moore retires after 22 years

By Staff Sgt. Jim Bianchi
AWFC Public Affairs

Nellis will lose one of its most valuable leaders on Jan. 26 when the 57th Wing's Command Chief Master Sergeant retires after 22 years of distinguished service.

"I've learned so much from the Air Force," said Command Chief Isaac Moore. "But I think the most important are team work and flexibility. The people of Team Nellis are the best example of these I've ever seen."

Chief Moore says he is grateful for the life the military gave him. Growing up in the inner city, his career options were few. He knew he had to get out or he would get into trouble. "Of the nine guys I hung out with growing up, only two of us are doing anything productive with our lives. The ones that stayed in Norfolk, Va., are either in jail or dead. I wanted to do something productive with my life," Chief Moore said.

Of his initial enlistment, the chief

said, "All I wanted to do was four years in the Air Force and use it as a way to get into college. But I realized pretty fast the Air Force is one giant college. After basic is tech school, then you're in upgrade training and before you know it, it's time for your staff sergeant test and then a seven-level course! In between, you're always studying or going to another school. The Air Force has given all this college-level training to thousands of people. I realized I was already in the greatest university in the world, and I thought, why should I get out?"

After "fast burning" his way to master sergeant in just 10 years, the then Master Sgt. Moore considered pursuing a commission.

"I was an F-16 maintainer back then and I thought about pursuing a commission," said Chief Moore. "My superintendent sat me down and said I would make a fine officer but he felt I could make a real difference to the enlisted corps if I stayed

around and took it as far as I could."

The chief says he never looked back. Being a shop chief, a superintendent and finally a command chief, gave him the opportunity to help mold a new crop of enlisted people for the Air Force. When comparing the current crop of enlisted people to his generation, the chief has nothing but praise.

"The current enlisted corps is so well educated. They are as capable and willing to lead as anyone I've ever met," said the Chief. "I'm constantly amazed by our young airmen. But we need to continue to think of ways to challenge them and keep them in the service."

"I was glad to hear that officer training school slots have been doubled. I think it's a step in the right direction," he said. "But the Air Force needs to continue to look at ways to keep people beyond a first enlistment. Using a combination of pay, promotions and appreciation is a great start and I'm sure the leader-

ship will continue to do whatever it takes to keep us the best Air Force in the world."

Chief Moore says he sometimes can't believe all the changes in the world that have happened in his career. "The Air Force and the world have changed so much in 22 years. I joined the Air Force in 1979, during the height of the Cold War. Who would have guessed then that the Berlin Wall would fall in our lifetime? Now we are working side-by-side with our former Warsaw Pact adversaries. Winning the Cold War was a tremendous milestone for the United States," he said. "I wouldn't believe it if I hadn't lived it myself."

"As I turn the page to another chapter in my life, I leave the Air Force with a lifetime of knowledge," said the retiring chief. "But, the one thing I wouldn't trade anything in the world for is the opportunity I've had to work with the caliber of people I've met in the last two decades."

Undersecretary says farewell to Air Force

WASHINGTON — After serving on active duty for 20 years as an airman, noncommissioned officer and a commissioned officer, and the last 17 months as undersecretary of the Air Force, Ms. Carol DiBattiste has said goodbye to the Air Force and is returning to civilian life. Her resignation was official Jan. 8.

"It has been phenomenal being part of the most powerful Air Force in the world," Ms. DiBattiste said. "I've had the best job anyone could ever imagine."

"We've got the best and brightest people serving this great nation. The Air Force has been my family since my first day at basic training nearly 30 years ago. Words can't describe how much I am going to

miss it and our great people."

DiBattiste will become a partner at the law firm Holland & Knight. She will begin practicing in Washington in March and will relocate to its Miami office shortly thereafter.

While holding the Air Force's second-highest civilian position, Ms. DiBattiste paved the way in tackling two of the most severe challenges facing today's military: recruiting and retention. During her tenure, the Air Force exceeded its fiscal 2000 recruiting goal of 34,000 by 369 recruits, after coming off fiscal 1999's shortfall of 1,732 recruits — the first time the service missed its recruiting goal in 20 years.

The Air Force also implemented

several new initiatives to boost its low retention rates including subsidizing extended child-care hours, establishing wing career assistance advisers and enhancing spouse employment opportunities. So far in fiscal 2001, the Air Force is witnessing improvements in its enlisted retention rates. For the third consecutive month, first-term re-enlistment rates have exceeded the goal of 55 percent.

Additionally, second-term rates have also improved from 69 percent to 70 percent, while career rates have remained steady at 91 percent.

"The combination of boosting our number of on-the-street recruiters, our tremendous television ad campaign, the ability to expand our en-

listment and re-enlistment bonuses, and the push from all the senior leaders to get the word out about the Air Force to communities across the country, is an example of teamwork at its best," Ms. DiBattiste said.

"The Air Force is nothing without its people," she said. "We have the most sophisticated aircraft and equipment on the planet, but without a dedicated force of talented and professional men and women they are of little use."

Ms. DiBattiste was the service's first undersecretary with Air Force experience, the first to have enlisted service time, the first to be a military retiree and the first woman with any military experience to serve in that role.

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Flightline ministry – caring for Nellis’ spiritual needs

By Ms. Martine Ramos
AWFC Public Affairs

There are many programs available on Nellis to feed the spiritual hunger of the troops, but one of our chaplains also feeds their stomachs. Chaplain (Colonel) Jim ReVello, 99th Air Base Wing chaplain, performs the unique ministry of riding up and down the flightline dispensing food and snacks.

“We do this at least three days and three nights per week. Chaplain (Matthew) Franke also goes to Indian Springs once a week, usually on Friday with donuts and other things,” said Chaplain ReVello. “We pass out thousands of hot dogs, hoagies and other sandwiches, pizzas, candy bars, chips, beverages, hot chocolate in the winter and snow cones in the summer. Last summer we passed out about 30,000 snow cones.”

Chaplain ReVello likes to make sure they cover all shifts and areas, including Area II and Camp Cobra when the base is exercising. The troops love to see them coming.

“The firefighters will announce on the loud speaker that the chaplain is on the flightline side of the hangar, and hoards

of people descend on my little blue truck,” Chaplain ReVello said.

It takes about four to five hours every time the flightline run is made. The food is paid out of the

their help when the chaplain comes around. “During this last exercise, the firefighters actually prepared the hot chocolate for us to give out. Everyone is really appreciative of what we

minister spiritually outside of the chapel walls. “On many occasions people will ask if they can speak to us after we pass out the food, or if they can talk to us on another occasion. These are people we may not be able to reach otherwise because of their reluctance to make an appointment with mental health or come into the chapel,” said Chaplain ReVello.

The unique flightline ministry is a great asset to the chapel program. “We believe that we have significantly contributed to the reduction in numbers of suicides and attempted suicides,” Chaplain ReVello said, “because we take this opportunity to show people that they are appreciated for what they do and who they are, and that we really care about their well-being.”

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99th Air Base Wing chaplain**

chapel funds, and is given free of charge to the troops.

“We are authorized seven chaplains here at Nellis, but we only have four. The captains are usually involved in the exercises when they’re going on, and other people run the day-to-day business of the chapel,” said Chaplain ReVello, “so that usually leaves me to do this.”

The ministry is starting to reach beyond the chapel. People have often volunteered

do,” said Chaplain ReVello.

The flightline ministry also gives the chaplains a chance to



Left, Airman 1st Class Patrick Moore, 57th Aircraft Generation Squadron, receives complementary pizza from Chaplain (Colonel) Jim ReVello, 99th Air Base Wing chaplain. (Photos by Senior Airman Chris Flahive)



Chaplain ReVello (left) visits the flightline and delivers pizza to Staff Sgt. Travis Baity and Senior Airman Daniel Hook (right), both from the 57th Aircraft Generation Squadron, as a part of the flightline ministry.

Nellis announces officer promotions

Congratulations to the following colonel select:

99th Medical Group

Dr. Verba Moore

Congratulations to the following major selects:

99th Medical Group

Dr. Nhue Anh Ho

Dr. Douglas Hoff

Dr. Henry Lau

Dr. Scott Morrison



Action Line

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652-4636



Col. Del Eulberg 99th Air Base Wing commander

Nellis' Action Line is your direct line to the 99th Air Base Wing commander, Col. Del Eulberg. If you have worked through normal channels and are not satisfied with the answer, the Action Line is your opportunity to ask questions or make suggestions about the subjects of concern to the Nellis community.

Please leave your name and phone number in case more specific information is required. You may also use our e-mail at: commander.action@nellis.af.mil. Action Lines of general interest will be published in the Bullseye; others will be answered by phone. Remember, the quickest and most efficient way to solve a problem is to talk directly to the office that is responsible. This gives them a chance to help you and perhaps improve the process.

Helpful phone numbers

BX Customer Service - 644-2044

Commissary - 643-7919

Child Development Center I - 652-4241

Proud to serve in my 'family business'

By Chaplain (Capt.) Travis Yelton
314th Airlift Wing

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. — I have a confession: I am an airman who considered becoming a conscientious objector about 10 years ago — but only briefly.

It was during the fall semester in college, right before Operation Desert Storm. My professor — who had come of age during the Vietnam era — addressed my classmates and me about becoming conscientious objectors to avoid serving involuntarily in the Persian Gulf conflict.

Until I faced a war that could potentially bring back the draft, I never considered becoming a conscientious objector. It was unthinkable. I respected other people's freedom to choose this path, but my desire to work in the "family business" would not be suppressed at that time or later.

I say the family business because that is how I explain my reason for joining the U.S. Air Force. As a young man, I realized how my family — through the

bravery, dedication and sacrifice of others — protected and provided for my freedom. In choosing my life's work, I felt a sense of obligation to at least give back to the business that had taken care of me. I might have made more money working for someone else, but I wanted to help the family by offering a portion of my life. After all, grandparents like Billy Mitchell helped start the family business while enduring numerous hardships. To me, that was no small matter.

As I consider the future of the family business, I hope to see it remain strong, building upon its rich heritage while maintaining a forward-looking philosophy. To be a player in the future of the business was another reason I decided to serve the family instead of going outside. What little I can contribute, I will.

I thank my professor for challenging me to do something else, because in considering his challenge I discovered the difference between a calling and a career. I could work for other businesses, but to me, no one comes close to my family.



Lt. Col. Mark Miller, 422nd Test and Evaluation Squadron commander, is interviewed Wednesday about the Persian Gulf War by Channel 8 reporter Andrea Bond as cameraman Mr. Larry Keller looks on. See next week's Bullseye for more on the 10th anniversary of the war. (Photo by Senior Airman Chris Flahive)



Saturday pap smear clinics to be held at Mike O'Callaghan Federal Hospital

In order to better serve our female patients, the Mike O'Callaghan Federal Hospital is holding special "pap smear only" Saturday clinic days. These special clinic sessions will be held at the Family Practice clinic.

- **Pap smear clinics** – Saturday and Feb. 3
- **Times** – 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- **Who should go?** Any female whose pap smear was over three years ago, or who is due for their annual pap.
- **How to make an appointment?** Call central appointments at 653-2778. Walk-in appointments will be made on a first-come first served basis.

Correction

Last week Staff Sgt. Kurt Reilly's name was inadvertently misspelled. Also, due to incorrect information received from the NCO Academy at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M., Tech. Sgt. Ronald Melnar's name was entered erroneously. We regret both errors.



Nellis announces award winners

Congratulations to the following quarterly award winners:

Air Warfare Center

Senior Airman Selina Phillippi, airman of the quarter
Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Drake, NCO of the quarter
Master Sgt. Cary Huddleston, senior NCO of the quarter
Capt. Margaret Morris, company grade officer of the quarter
Ms. Renni Whitman, civilian of the quarter - category II
Ms. Geneva Hert, civilian of the quarter - category I

99th Air Base Wing

Senior Airman Christine Weyand, airman of the quarter
Staff Sgt. William Martinez, NCO of the quarter
Master Sgt. Daniel Koning, senior NCO of the quarter
2nd Lt. Adam Grayson, company grade officer of the quarter
Ms. Elizabeth Curl, civilian of the quarter - category I
Ms. Sandra Whitaker, civilian of the quarter - category II
Mr. James Nelson, civilian of the quarter - category III
820th RED HORSE Squadron, Bldg. #792, dormitory of the quarter
Senior Airman Brian Swogger, 820th RED HORSE Sq., dormitory room of the quarter

66th Rescue Squadron

Senior Airman Scott Frye, airman of the quarter
Tech. Sgt. Wendy Hansen, NCO of the quarter
Master Sgt. Rodney Keller, senior NCO of the quarter
2nd Lieutenant Maria Soto, company grade officer of the quarter



Editor's note: Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland's son, Senior Airman Brian O'Quinn, was critically injured on Oct. 10, 2000, when a speeding motorist ran a traffic light and slammed into him. Brian was riding his bicycle. He was a member of the combat rifle team at Indian Springs.

Special thanks

Dear Nellis Community

We will soon leave Nellis and the Air Force community here. While our stay for the past 9 weeks has been under difficult circumstances, you have reached out to us, sharing our pain and grief. Your encouragement and love have given us hope for the future. Thank you! My wife and I have been somewhat removed from Air Force activities since our retirement in 1984, after serving 27 years. We are delighted to find that the Air Force continues to "take care of its people" and have a force of very high-quality men and women. You touched our lives each day, ministering to our needs, answering our questions, visiting Brian in the hospital and praying for us.

We believe it is important for you to understand that each one of you really do "make a difference." The airmen that greet or welcome us at the gate, the airmen behind the counter at the family clinics, the airmen or secretaries at the offices we visited, the employees at the Base Exchange, Armed Forces Bank and Nevada Federal Credit Union and those providing service at Nellis Inn – you have a great team here at Nellis and these are only some of the many men and women who have made our stay here a very positive experience, despite the circumstances.

We want to assure you that serving in the U.S. Armed Forces is a noble thing to do. You are the ones that ensure our national leaders have the means to protect our freedoms and way of life. As long as young men and women like you voluntarily put duty, honor and country before self, our nation will continue its legacy of worthiness and greatness.

Thank you very much,
Gracie and Cleveland M. O'Quinn



Luncheon honors Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Above, Dr. (Lieutenant Colonel) Verba Moore receives a check for \$100,000 from Staff Sgt. Dameon Jackson of Nellis' African-American Cultural Association, for her favorite charity after speaking at the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. luncheon. More than 250 people attended the annual MLK luncheon at the Nellis Enlisted Club Jan. 11.

Left, Mr. George Sherman, a member of Tuskegee Airman, Inc. and an original Tuskegee Airman, stands to be recognized at the annual MLK luncheon. (Photos by Airman 1st Class Ashley Sorrels)



Problem gamblers quiz

1. When you gamble, do you try and go back another day to win back the money you lost?
2. Have you ever had arguments about money centered around your gambling?
3. Have you ever lost time at work because of gambling?
4. Have you ever borrowed money from somebody and not paid them back because of gambling?
5. Have you ever felt guilty about gambling?
6. Has anyone ever told you that you have a gambling problem?
7. Did you ever gamble more than you intended?
8. Have you ever hidden lottery tickets or gambling money from your family or friends?
9. Have you ever wanted to stop gambling, but didn't think you could?
10. Have you ever claimed that you won money when you really lost it?
11. Do you feel you have a gambling problem?

How many questions did you answer yes to?

0 = No problem

1 - 4 = Some problem

5 or more = Probable pathological gambler

For more information on help for problem gamblers, call the Family Support Center at 652-3327.





Child safety seats: Are yours installed correctly?

By Capt. Cynthia Long
99th Medical Group
pediatric nurse manager

Crashes caused by traffic accidents are the leading cause of unintentional injury related deaths among children of every age.

To help prevent these tragedies, car safety seats and safety belts, when installed correctly and used properly, have been designed to prevent injury and save lives.

Unfortunately, as many as half of the child car seats in use today are installed improperly or used incorrectly without parents realizing it.

Different kinds of car seats are designed to protect children of all ages and sizes. Depending on the age, size and/or weight, different car safety seats are used or required to secure a child safely and protect in a motor vehicle accident.

Infants less than 1 year old and weighing less than 20 pounds should be positioned in the rear seat of a vehicle, facing the rear of the car in an infant-only or rear-facing convertible car safety seat.

Children at least 1 year old and weighing 20 pounds or more should ride in a forward-facing car safety seat. This seat may be used up to 40 pounds, unless otherwise indicated on the car seat instructions.

Children weighing more than 40 pounds and up to 80 pounds should be properly secured in a belt positioning, forward facing, booster seat used with both the lap and shoulder belt.

Children weighing more than 80 pounds and at least 4 feet 9 inches tall should be able to fit properly in an adult seat belt.

The adult lap belt must fit low and snug on the child's hip, the shoulder belt must not cross the face or neck. Remember children age 12 and under should always ride buckled up in the back seat of the vehicle.

To properly install the

child safety seat:

The lap part of the seat belt must hold the safety seat firmly in place.

To make it tight, push the safety seat down, with your full weight, into the seat cushion while tightening the seat belt around the car safety seat.

To check for a tight fit, pull the safety seat forward and push it from side to side. If the belt loosens or the base of the safety seat slides forward or sideward more than an inch, your child may not be well protected.

With so many child safety seats, seat belts and vehicles on the market today, it can be very difficult to properly install a child safety seat.

Always read the instructions that come with the

safety seat and also read the section on safety belts and car seat installation in your vehicle owner's manual.

It's recommended that parents and guardians have their child safety seats inspected by a trained and certified technician in the community.

The Child Development Center provides car safety seat checks Mondays through Fridays from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call 652-4211 for an appointment.

At Mike O'Callaghan Federal Hospital, your car seat may be checked by Capt. Cynthia Long in the Pediatric Clinic Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

Remember, even the "safest" seat may not protect your child if it isn't used correctly.



Mrs. Molly Hayes, director of the Child Development Center II, checks the car seat of Nathaniel Johnson, 3, son of Senior Airman Nina Johnson, 57th Operational Support Squadron. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Jim Bianchi)



Warrior of the Week

Senior Airman Joseph Chwalik



Unit: 99th Ground Combat Training Flight

Duty Title: Supply technician

Hometown: New Boston, Mich.

Time in Air Force: 4 years

Time at Nellis: 3 years and 6 months

Hobbies: Watching sports and spending time with my family

What's my favorite Air Force memory? Receiving a coin from the Secretary of the Air Force while I was in Saudi Arabia.

If I could improve one thing on Nellis? I would like to see more improvements in on-base housing.



Photo by Senior Airman Chris Flahive



CCSN to expand Nellis course offerings

By Ms. Martine Ramos
AWFC Public Affairs

Nellis and the Community College of Southern Nevada have long been partners in the Southern Nevada education community, and plans are in the works to expand educational opportunities available at Nellis.

This semester, and at different times in the past, CCSN has offered one free class for first-time enrollees. This is a great benefit for people in the Southern Nevada community, and especially for troops at Nellis who wish to begin or continue working on a Community College of the Air Force or CCSN associate degree.

Distance learning is one of the programs CCSN offers. This program has proven to be very useful to troops when they go TDY.

"The distance learning program is really taking off. We started with 47 students and have grown to more than 3,000," said

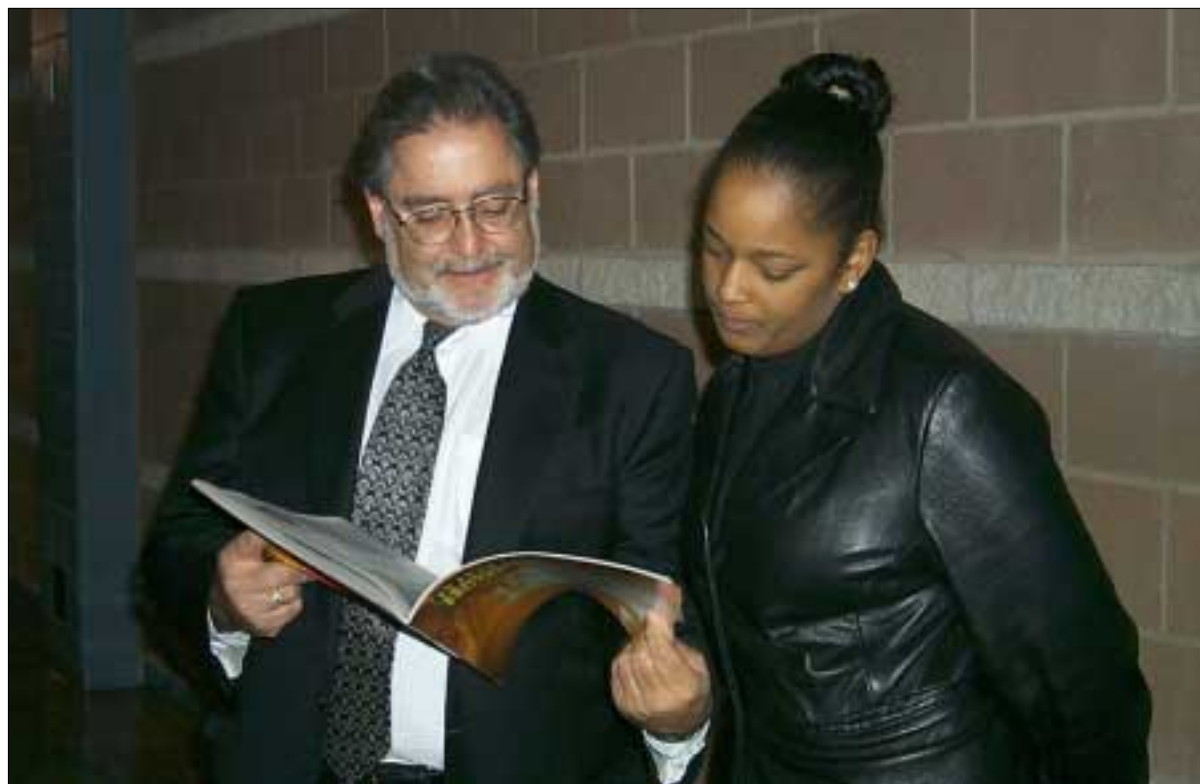
Dr. Bob Silverman, CCSN interim president. "It's our fastest growing program. We offer over 40 different classes with 120 different

sections, and are adding more every day."

CCSN offers several ways to facilitate registration. A counselor is available in the CCSN office during registration to assist students in choosing courses. "In addition, registration is available on the main campus, by telephone and on the Web," said Dr. Silverman.

There are plans to expand available courses offered on base. "What we do is measure our community to see what specific needs students have. Nellis is part of our community," Dr. Silverman said. "We are constantly listening to the people we serve. If the troops at Nellis feel they have a particular need or interest, we do our best to provide it to them."

For more information, contact the Education office at 652-5280.



Community College of Southern Nevada interim president Dr. Bob Silverman studies the CCSN Spring catalog with first-time enrollee, Ms. Edna Collier. (Photo by Ms. Martine Ramos)

ROTC opportunities

The Air Force Personnel Center has announced a supplemental list of AFROTC special duty assignments available this summer for 1st lieutenants, captains and majors. For more information, go to the assignments home page and look under career broadening at <http://afas.afpc.randolph.af.mil/careerbroad/rotc/html> or call MPF customer service at 652-9073 for a list of vacancies.

Nellis Officers' Spouses Club scholarships

The NOSC is accepting applications for high school seniors and military spouses scholarships. Applications are available at the Education Office and Family Support Center. Submission deadline is March 27.



Computer training required for flightline drivers

By Capt. Donald Kerr
ACC Ranges, Airspace and Airfield
Operations Division

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. — Increased safety. Improved awareness. Skills enhancement. Mission effectiveness.

Air Force unit safety programs strive for these results by focusing on daily training operations that provide the foundation for projecting combat airpower. However, the old way of providing flightline-driving training has quickly become passé and led to the development of a new state-of-the-art, multi-media, computer-based training program.

"The Flightline Driving CBT is a self-paced, self-administered program intended to standardize training command-wide," said Chief Master Sgt. Joseph Eubanks, Air Combat Command airfield manager. "The goal is to increase (drivers') operational awareness of the airfield environment in an effort to reduce runway intrusions and improve the overall safety of our airfields."

The new CBT program is expected to aid in the training of approximately 13,000 flightline vehicle operators annually at airfields throughout the command.

Operating vehicles on the flightline is a skill to be taken seriously, Chief Eubanks said. Without the proper skills and training they can produce costly errors.

The CBT program masterminds, Chief

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Chief Master Sgt. Joseph Eubanks,
Air Combat Command
airfield manager

Eubanks and Capt. Bill Crowe of the ACC Airfield Operations Team, said they had two goals: eliminate differences in material and streamline instruction methods. The result is standardized training across the command.

The ACC Airfield Operations Team duo didn't develop the program by themselves. Mr. Roy Taniguchi, a member of a ACC Training Support Squadron detachment at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., was selected to oversee the 17-month project. Tech. Sgt. Bill Rankin of Beale Air Force Base, Calif., served as the primary subject-matter expert and worked with Mr. Taniguchi to compile information and design the courseware.

The CD-ROM program combines facts with an animated, partially interactive display that tests the trainee at the end of the session. The 30-minute program brings the hazards of operating a vehicle on an airfield "alive" to the trainee. It wraps up with a 25-question multiple-choice test.

"The training certainly does not replace the need for base-specific and local training requirements, but it gives us a valuable training tool that will both complement and improve our flightline driving operations within ACC, and ultimately across the Air Force," said Col. George Varn, deputy director of the ACC Ranges, Airspace and Airfield Operations Division.

Contact unit vehicle NCOs for more information on this test.



Driving while sleepy is risky

By Lt. Col. Albert Hill
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Let's take a little quiz:
Answer the following statements true or false.

- 1. Coffee overcomes the effects of drowsiness while driving.**
- 2. I can tell when I'm going to fall asleep.**
- 3. I'm a safe driver, so it doesn't matter if I'm sleepy.**
- 4. I can't take naps.**
- 5. I get plenty of sleep.**
- 6. Being sleepy makes you misperceive things.**
- 7. Young people need less sleep.**

Answers:

1. Coffee overcomes the effects of drowsiness while driving.

False

Caffeine is not a substitute for sleep. It works only in the short run and wears off fast. You are still subject to sleep-deprived "micro-naps" that can last 4-5 seconds. At 55 mph, that is more than 100 yards!

2. I can tell when I'm going to fall asleep.

False

Most people think this is true. It simply is not. If you're drowsy, you know generally when you might fall asleep, but the moment is something completely out of your control. You also do not know how long you have been asleep, and even a few seconds can end up with fatal results for you or someone else.

3. I'm a safe driver so it doesn't matter if I'm sleepy.

False

The only safe driver is the alert driver. A driving instructor becomes a menace if sleepy behind the wheel. The young man who was awarded "America's Safest Teen Driver" in 1990 later fell asleep behind the wheel and was killed.

4. I can't take naps.

False

Many people say this. If you think you can't nap, stop the car and recline for 15 minutes anyway. Find a quiet place that is safe – the corner of a mall or a gas station. Lock your doors and roll up your windows.

5. I get plenty of sleep.

False

Ask yourself this – do you wake up rested? I know precious few people who can answer the question "yes." The average person needs 7-8 hours of sleep a night. If you don't get it, you are building up a "sleep debt," which is cumulative.

6. Being sleepy makes you misperceive things.

True

Have you ever driven at night and thought you'd seen an animal, but it turned out to be something else? A drowsy driver does not process information as fast or accurately as an alert driver and is unable to react quickly enough to avoid a collision. By the way – if you do see a real animal, hitting one is like hitting a brick wall. It can be fatal for both of you.

7. Young people need less sleep.

False

In fact, teens and young adults need more sleep than people in their 30's. This is due to increased activity and output, which need more regeneration time.

Here are some warning signals that you need more sleep:

- Your eyes close or go out of focus by themselves.
- You have trouble keeping your head up.
- You can't stop yawning.
- You have wandering thoughts.
- You don't remember driving the past few miles.
- You drift between lanes, tailgate or miss signs.
- You have drifted off the road and narrowly missed crashing.

If you have any one of these symptoms – pull off the road and take a nap. However, please be aware that some states do not allow you to use the shoulder of a freeway or highway this way.



Super Bowl parties

The Super Bowl parties start at 2 p.m. Jan. 28 at both the Time Out Sports Bar and the Officers' Club. The Time Out offers food and beverage specials and a free taco bar and hot dogs at half time. There will be prize drawings at the end of each quarter. Prizes include a Miller Lite can refrigerator and Coors Light snowboard. The Officers' Club Football Frenzy Super Bowl party will have all four big-screen TVs playing the game in the ballroom. The cost is \$10 per person for unlimited hot dogs, chili, nachos, wings, and more. Prizes will be given during the game, including a \$150 club card credit.

Bonanza Beverage and Coors Light sponsor Super Bowl parties. SatoTravel, Miller Brewing Company, American Airlines, Comfort Inn (for regular-season game only), Double Tree Alana Waikiki (for Pro Bowl only) and Pioneer Military Lending sponsor Football Frenzy. No federal endorsement of sponsors intended.





Base Theater 652-5020

Today Unbreakable (PG-13)

Bruce Willis, Samuel L. Jackson

Saturday, Sunday Proof of Life (R)

Russell Crowe, Meg Ryan

Monday Dungeons and Dragons (PG-13)

Jeremy Irons, Justin Whalin

**** The theater is closed Tuesday and Wednesday. ****

Show times

Unless otherwise indicated, all show times are 7 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 1 p.m. To subscribe to the e-mail mail list, send your requests to angel1m@lvcn.com.

Chapel 652-2950

Weekly schedule: Catholic worship

Mass: Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday: Reconciliation, 4 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.

Sunday: Mass, 9:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Protestant worship

Sunday: Gospel service, 8 a.m. Traditional service, 11:15 a.m.

Classes/Activities

Religious education

Catholic religious education classes for ages 3 through 12th grade are Sundays from 8:20 to 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. For more information, call 652-5953.

RCIA, for any adult interested in becoming a Catholic, is Sundays at 1:45 p.m. in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 651-6587.

Protestant religious education classes (18 months to adult) are Sundays from 9:35 to 10:50 a.m. For more information, call 652-7950.

Young Adult Ministry (formerly Singles) meets Tuesdays 6 to 7:15 p.m. in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 644-6568.

Men of the Chapel meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel basement.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel meets Sundays at 1:30 p.m. in the Chapel basement.

Widows in the Neighborhood monthly activities include lunches, local tours and attending performances. For more information, call 459-1324 or 453-4858.

Bible study is Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 459-1324 or 453-4858.

Christian Military Fellowship joins Officers' Christian Fellowship in providing weekly Bible studies to all ranks. To find one near you, call 656-8707.

The National Prayer Luncheon will be held on Feb. 20 at 11:30 a.m. in the Enlisted Club. Guest speaker is Chaplain, Brig Gen, Lorraine K. Potter, Headquarters U.S.

Air Force deputy chief of chaplains. Tickets are \$5 for all ranks and can be purchased through first sergeants or the base chapel.

"Lord, I Want to Know You" is a study of the names and character of God. Classes are Thursdays beginning Jan. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon and 7 to 9 p.m. For more information call 643-5981.

Education Center 652-5280

VA education

For VA education benefit questions, call 1-888-442-4551 or visit the Veterans Administration home page for more information at www.gibill.va.gov.

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University of Phoenix

Start a master of business administration at Nellis and finish in two years anywhere in the world. For more information on graduate programs, call 652-5527.

Study skills

The next classes are Feb. 6 and 7 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Civilians and family members are always welcome. Sign up in advance by visiting or calling the Education Office at 652-5280.

University of Oklahoma

Applications and enrollments for spring and summer are being accepted for the master of public administration program at the University of Oklahoma! For more information, please call Ms. Laurie Boetcher at 652-9453 or e-mail apnellis@ou.edu.

**Family Support
Center**
652-3327

Money seminar

Making (and keeping) money in the millennium: Would you like to have a little more money? Or a "nest egg" or a little money to invest? Or even money for a real vacation or a new computer? This seminar will show you ways you can make and save money in the millennium. Three sessions will be held with speakers, activities, videos, and informal discussions. You can sign up for just one or all three classes. The first class, *Finding Money to Save*, is Jan. 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The second class, *Don't Stop Spending, Modify it*, is Feb. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The third class, *What you don't know can hurt you and your credit report*, is March 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Ready, Set, Grow!

Monday from 10 to 11 a.m. is Ready, Set, Grow! The class is designed for parents of children 3 to 36 months of age. Would you like to join other parents to reinforce your parenting skills and learn new ones? Come to this program and bring your little ones along.

Fiscal fitness

Are you fiscally fit? Do you want to start or add to a savings or investment plan? Find money for those little "extras?" Wipe out debt? Come to *In and Out Budget*. This class is held every Monday from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Bring your leave and earnings statement or other pay statements, receipts, checkbook, bills, a calculator, etc. We will help you compile the numbers and complete the financial readiness forms. Then, we'll sign you up for a free financial check-up so you can set up your own fiscal fitness plan.

Job search seminar

Need help with your job search or want more information about the Las Vegas job market? Come to *Job Search in Las Vegas* and see how the career focus program can help with resumes, interviewing techniques, and networking. Classes are Tuesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. Register for our easy and effective computerized job bank. For more information, call 652-3327.

Predeployment

Predeployment briefings are held every Wednesday from 2 to 3 p.m. This briefing is designed to help members of the Nellis community prepare for a deployment or remote assignment. It also includes the *Hearts Apart* morale call program registration. Spouses are invited (and encouraged) to attend.

Transition assistance

The Transition Assistance Program is a 3-day workshop to help prepare for civilian life. The workshop is offered in conjunction with the Departments of Labor and Veterans Affairs and targeted at retiring or separating personnel. Registration is required and class size is limited. For more information, call 652-3327.

HAWC
653-3375

HAWC hours

The Health and Wellness Center will have new hours of operation beginning Jan. 29. The new hours will be 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more

information, call the HAWC.

Quit smoking

Is your New Year's resolution to quit smoking? The Health and Wellness Center has some tobacco cessation opportunities. There is a 5-week Tobacco Cessation class offered every Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The NicoDerm Patch and/or Zyban is prescribed for eligible beneficiaries. Class sessions offer information on weight management, stress management and other valuable tips to keep you on the road to a smoke-free life. For more information, call 653-3375/3376.

**Nellis Boys
& Girls Club**
652-9307

Smart Girl program

Every Tuesday for eight weeks starting at 5:30 p.m., young women ages 10 through 15 can learn methods of prevention to life's negative influences.

Cooking classes

Ages 11 through 18 can be creative in the kitchen. Hands-on cooking is at 2 p.m. and cake decorating is at 4 p.m. Saturdays in January at the Boys & Girls Club. Cost for each class is \$10 per month.

Bowling tourney

Tournament is Jan. 27 at the Nellis Bowling Center starting at 2 p.m. Ages 5 through 18 can participate for \$1.50 and must register by 1 p.m. Jan. 27. Shoe rental is free. Volunteers are also needed. Pre-registration runs through Jan. 27 at the Boys & Girls Club. For more information, call Mr. Reese Davis.

Teen snow tubing

Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. ages 13 through 18 can sign up to go tubing or sledding for \$2. A permission slip is required and space is limited. Sign up before Jan. 24.

Baby-sitter club

Looking to earn extra money? The Baby-sitter Club is an ongoing program

for ages 12 through 18. They meet the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

Movie night

Ages 11 through 18 can go to a movie for \$1 Jan. 26 at 5:30 p.m. Transportation is provided and sign-up deadline is Jan. 24. All participants pay admission and refreshment costs.

Tickets & Tours
652-6436

Drew Carey Show

Come see a taping of the Drew Carey Show and tour the Warner Brothers studio Feb 21. Price is \$70 per person and a \$25 deposit fee is required when reserving. For more information, call 652-2192.

Ski at Brian Head

Ski at Brian Head, Utah, with Tickets & Tours ski trips Saturday, Feb. 3. Sign up by Wednesday. Bus leaves at approximately 4 a.m. from Building 625 and leaves from Brian Head at 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$70 per person and includes lift ticket. Ski rentals are not included in price. Outdoor Recreation rentals are available. Call Tickets & Tours for deadlines and travel information, 652-2192.

**Sports & Fitness
Center**
652-6436

Basketball tryouts

Active duty military members can try out for varsity basketball Saturday at noon

in the Sports & Fitness Center. For more information, contact Mr. Bridges at 652-6436 or Staff Sgt. Sawyer at 652-2693.

5K run

Attend the 5K Poker run Friday, 7:30 a.m., at the Sports & Fitness Center. Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each category. Sign up at the Sports & Fitness Center. For more information, contact Mr. Bridges at 652-6436.

**Skills Development
Center**
652-2849

Drivers needed

The Skills Development Center needs drivers to deliver Valentine Day bouquets on base, in Areas II and III and in Manch Manor housing Feb. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vehicles will be provided. Interested individuals can call Ms. Stephanie Pittman at 652-2849.

Thrift Shop
644-3777

Thrift Shop

Clean out those closets and make some extra money. Bring items and a valid I.D. to the Thrift Shop, now open Tuesdays, Thursdays and the first Saturday of the month 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to consign items. Checks for consignments are mailed to the home address. The shop is open until 2 p.m. for sales. For those who have a little extra time on their hands, the Thrift Shop needs volunteers. For more information, call the Thrift Shop at 644-3777.

Quarterly awards luncheon

The Nellis quarterly awards recognition luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at the Enlisted Club. The entrée is grilled chicken breast, tossed green salad, oven roasted potatoes, baby carrots, cauliflower & broccoli florets. Cost is \$8.00 for club members and \$10 for non-members. All the winners are invited to attend but should contact their unit first sergeant if they wish to attend. For more information, call Master Sgt. Mary Jane Porterfield at 652-9982.